various shops in the State were begun to be sent to the office of the Superintendent of Excise Revenue from 1092 only. Figures from that year are furnished. (*Vide Appendix III.*)

(3) No.

(4) No.

(5) No.

(6) The shop was allowed to be opened on the Monopoly Farmer's request.

(7) Generally from the Vallengi Depot.

(8) The arrack is sold at Parambikulam at Rs. 2 per quart. The price in Nemmara is Rs. 1—12—0 and in Chalakkudi Rs. 1—2—0.

Certain irrigation systems in the Chittur Taluk.

10. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the date on which the Mulattara, Kunnamkattupati, Tembaramadakku and Nurnee irrigation systems in the Chittur Taluk were constructed or acquired by the Government;

(2) the extent of the lands irrigated by each of these systems;

(a) at the time of the Revenue Settlement, (b) at the end of 1101, (c) the names of persons to whom the present excess area served by each system is assigned showing the extent of fresh assignment in the case of each;

(3) (a) what was the nature of the new work done in the Mulattara canal system in the years 1101 and 1102;

(b) has the volume of water for distribution in the Mulattara system increased in consequence of this new work;

(4) does the circulation of excess water in the Mulattara system diminish the quantity of water available for Kunnamkattupati system;

(5) what is the amount of money spent for capital works in each of the four systems during the last 5 years;

(6) will the Government be pleased to lay on the table of the House a copy of the *kychit* executed for payment of water-cess collected by the Sirkar;

(7) what are the principles on which Land Revenue is fixed with regard to newly assigned lands, and what are the various rates adopted for different kinds of lands;

(8) what was the rate of Land Revenue adopted in Perumatti, Pattancheri and Mulattara for *parambas* at the time of the Settlement;

(9) what are the rates at which new lands are assigned in the above said 3 villages;

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(10) what is the current demand for water-cess in each of the villages served by the irrigation systems?

Mr. P. Damodara Menon.—(1)The construction of the original Mulattara anicut was started by the Darbar in 1849. The Nurnee system was acquired in 1858 and the Tembaramadakku and Kunnamkattupati systems, in 1082 and 1084 M. E. respectively.

(2) *Mulattara.*

(a) 7,456 acres (b) 8,556.57 3/4 acres.

Kunnamkattupati.

(a) 2,635 acres (b) 2,932.31 acres.

Tembaramadakku.

(a) 3,405 acres (b) 3,585.94 7/8 acres.

Nurnee.

(a) 687 acres (b) 715.50 acres.

(c) A statement furnishing the required information is placed on the Council Secretary's table.

(3) (a) Starting from the Head works, two miles of the main canal were regraded and also widened in some places.

(b) The canal as improved takes in more water than formerly for any particular level of water at the anicut.

(4) No.

(5) (*Vide Appendix IV.*)

(6) A copy of the *kychit* specifying the terms for supply of water to new conversions of *parambas* to *niloms* subsequent to the Settlement, and for payment of water-cess is placed on the Council Secretary's table. For full particulars, regarding the supply of water to such conversions, please see articles 275 to 279 of *the Land Revenue Manual.*

(7) The general principles followed in fixing assessment on newly assigned lands are contained in article 53 of *the Land Revenue Manual.* For special classes of lands ordered to be newly assigned, special rates are fixed by Government from time to time.

(8) The rates for *pirambas* adopted for the Chittur Taluk were those specified in the Diwan's Notification, dated 15th March 1907, a copy of which is placed on the Council Secretary's table. The *parambas* in the villages of Perumatti, Pattancheri and Mulattara were given all *tarams* in their classification except the highest one.

(9) Newly assigned lands come under two categories:—

(i) Small bits of *porambokes* made available for assignment here and there; and

(ii) Exclusions from the Chittur *Kanom.*

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In regard to (i), the general principles of the article in *the Land Revenue Manual* quoted in answer to sub-division (7) are applied. In regard to (ii), the special provisions are the following:—

In respect of lands capable of being converted into *niloms*, the assessment will be Rs. 2 per acre for the first year, Rs. 2-8-0 per acre for the second year, Rs. 3-8-0 per acre for the third year and Rs. 5-8-0 per acre from the fourth year. This assessment is exclusive of *Tirumulkazhcha* and the second crop charges leviable under the provision of *the Land Revenue Manual*. Lands that cannot be converted into *niloms*, but useful for subsidiary agricultural purposes, will be assessed at Rs. 2-8-0 per acre.

(10) Current demand under water-cess proper in 1101 was as follows :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Valiavallampadi	217	10	0
Nalleppalli	232	5	5
Tekkedesom	587	1	1
Kuttippallam	194	9	6
Kunnamkattupati	5	12	5
Mulattara	43	3	2
Perumatti	960	12	1
Chittur	530	10	4
Tattamangalam	100	13	8
Pattancheri	679	10	11

British water-cess.

1. Tembaramadakku
2. Kunnamkattupati

Rs. 7,250 3 8

The above figures do not include the difference between I Group and II Group rates which represents the water-cess on old *niloms*.

The demand under the head 'Water-cess' may roughly be put down as Rs. 20,000.

Budget allotments to certain Panchayats.

11. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) for what amount the (1) Artatt, (2) Kattakampal, (3) Porkkalam, (4) Kadavallur and (5) Kadangod Village Panchayats submitted their budgets for the year 1103, and what is the amount allotted by the Government for each of these Village Panchayats in the budget prepared for presentation to the Legislative Council; and

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APPENDIX IV.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 10)

Amount of money spent for capital works on each of the four systems during the last five years.

		Rs.	A.	P
Mulattura	1101	13 618	9	8
	1100	372	14	9
	1099	...		
	1098	2 020	10	9
	1097	...		
Nurnee	1101	Nil		
	1100	985	3	7
	1099	Nil		
	1098	1,444	7	0
	1097	1,287	2	5
Tembaramadakku	1101	242	3	8
	1100	233	12	1
	1099	174	1	2
	1098	1 147	2	3
	1097	...		
Kunnamkattupat	1101	Nil		
	1100	184	1	6
	1099	133	12	7
	1098	...		
	1097	...		

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